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## VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W., Room TW-B204 Washington, DC 20554

Re:

Oregon Health Network WC Docket No. 02-60

Madam Secretary:

In accordance with Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206, we hereby provide you with notice of an oral *ex parte* presentation in connection with the above captioned proceeding. On November 18 and 19, 2010, Kim Lamb, Executive Director, and Kim Klupenger, Operations Director of the Oregon Health Network ("OHN"), along with Lou Lehrman of Fabiani & Company and undersigned counsel met separately with Christine Kurth, Wireline Counsel to Commissioner McDowell; Brad Gillen, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Baker; Margaret McCarthy, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Copps; Angela Kronenberg, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Clyburn; and Trent Harkrader, Division Chief, Attorney Advisors Erica Meyers, Jamie Susskind and Chin Yoo in the Telecommunications Access Policy Division of the Wireline Competition Bureau, and Kerry McDermott, Director of Health Care.

We discussed a number of issues relating to the Commission's *Notice of Proposed Rulemaking* in the above-referenced docket (FCC 10-125, rel. July 15, 2010). Specifically, we discussed OHN's success employing a leased services network model in quickly and cost effectively deploying a statewide health network. We discussed the need to provide continued support for such networks in the proposed health infrastructure program, and the related

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importance of supporting Network Operations Centers and services and the need for urban locations to be eligible under the proposed health broadband services program. We also discussed the vital role played by for-profit providers in serving rural communities, the important public health need filled by such providers, and their potential eligibility as "public health providers" under the Telecom Act.

Finally, we discussed a further matter involving OHN's interest in extending time under the Rural Health Care pilot program to receive funding commitments and expend committed funds, and requesting a further award of unused pilot program funding. A copy of our presentation slides and supplemental material is enclosed.

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please contact undersigned counsel directly.

Sincerely,

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## Enclosure

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